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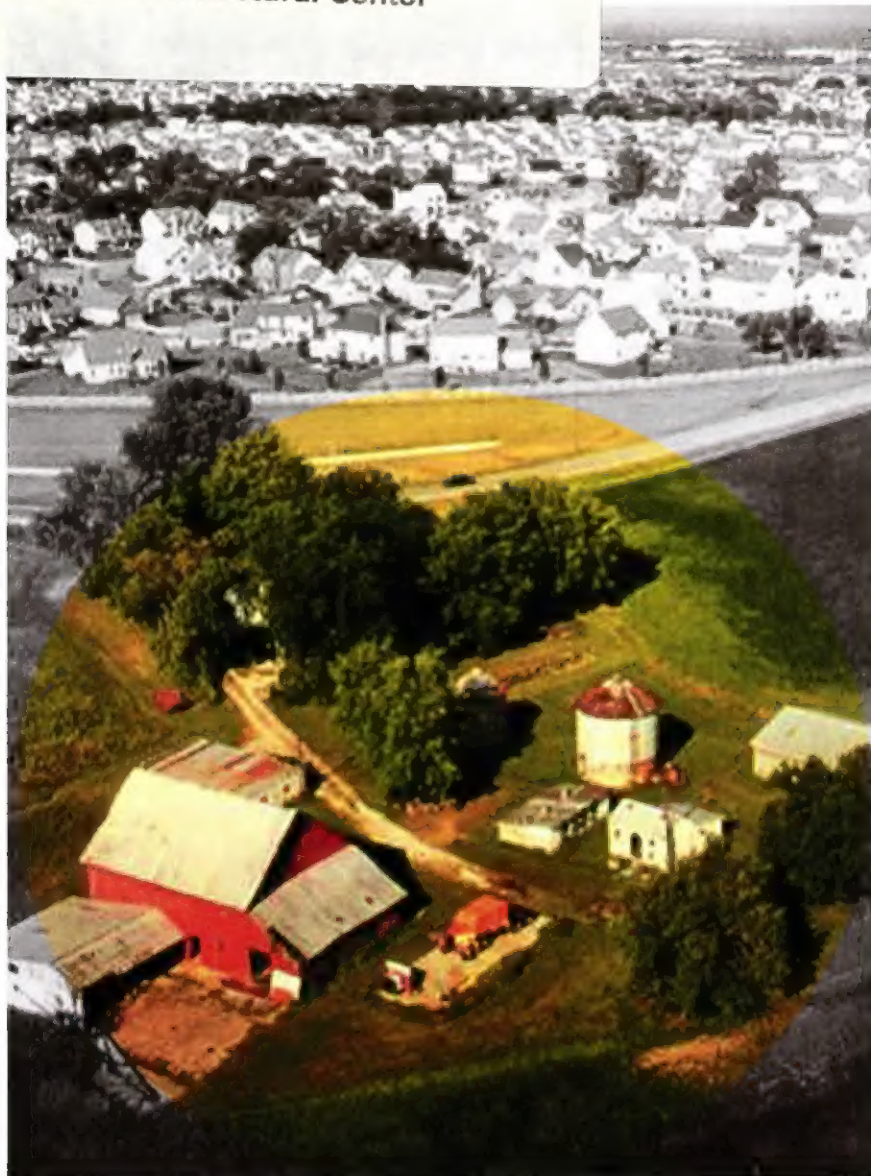
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'New Regionalism' creates community

For the past two years, a diverse group of Massachusetts civic leaders, political leaders, interested citizens, and design and planning professionals has been exploring ways in which communities in our region can take control of urban, suburban, and rural growth. The intent is to shape growth to enrich our communities rather than succumb to unplanned sprawl.

In the BSA Lecture Series on **January 16**, the architects/planners/urban designers who have led this effort — the BSA's Civic Initiative for a Liveable New England — provide a compelling portrait of our region and how we might work as a region to guide growth. These leaders — former BSA president and current Chief

Planner for the City of Boston, Rebecca Barnes FAIA, planner Larissa Brown AICP, and BSA Vice-President David Dixon FAIA — are joined in this special BSA event at the Boston Public Library by smart-growth advocate State Senator Marc Pacheco, recognized this year by AIA Massachusetts and the BSA as Legislator of the Year, in part for his liveable communities advocacy efforts.

The January 16 presentation will not only focus on the two-year effort to date but on the current implementation phase of this effort and its emphasis on issues such as transportation. The presentation begins at 6:00 pm in the BPL's Rabb Lecture Hall in Copley Square. There is no charge and all are welcome.



	Event	Location/Sponsor	Cost/RSVP
January 8-February 26 M-F, 9:00 am-5:00 pm	"Women in Design" — the exhibit developed by the BSA Women In Design Network, first displayed at Build Boston, is now in The Architects Building (see p. 5)	The Architects Building Sponsored by The BSA Women in Design Network and Suffolk Construction Company	Free
January 9 6:00-8:00 pm	"Ethics & Architects" — this month's edition of the BSA series on professional ethics (see p. 4)	The Architects Building	Free RSVP: 617-951-1433x221 bsa@architects.org
January 14 6:00-9:00 pm	"Working Abroad" — the monthly informal presentation of work overseas by New England architects (see p. 5)	The Architects Building Sponsored by the BSA International Committee	Details: aecjackson@worldnet.att.net
January 15 6:00-8:00 pm	"Corporate Affiliates Reception" — a special reception for BSA Corporate Affiliate Members (see p. 3)	The Architects Building Hosted by the BSA Board of Directors	Free RSVP: 617-951-1433x221 bsa@architects.org
January 16 6:00 pm	"The New Regionalism" — the BSA Lecture Series this month welcomes Rebecca Barnes FAIA, Larissa Brown AICP, David Dixon FAIA and State Senator Marc Pacheco on methods of guiding growth to create community (see p. 1)	Boston Public Library	Free No reservations required
January 17 6:00-8:00 pm	"Back from the Brink" — a special video screening on urban design issues (see p. 3)	The Architects Building Sponsored by the BSA Urban Design Committee	Free RSVP: 617-951-1433x221 bsa@architects.org
January 17	"Young Designers Professional Development Institute" — the year-long training curriculum for young designers (see p. 10)	Location varies Sponsored by the BSA and Gathering Pace Consulting	Cost varies Details: rfitzgerald@architects.org 617-951-1433 x232
January 22 6:00-8:00 pm	"How We Live" — the monthly series focusing on smart growth and related planning and design issues (see p. 5)	The Architects Building Sponsored by the BSA's Civic Initiative for A Liveable New England, A.J. Martini Inc., the U.S. EPA <i>et al.</i>	Free RSVP: 617-951-1433x221 bsa@architects.org
January 23 6:00-8:00 pm	"Sustainability" — the monthly gathering of women in the design professions focuses this month on sustainable design (see p. 5)	The Architects Building Sponsored by the BSA Women in Design Network	Free RSVP: 617-951-1433x221 bsa@architects.org
February 4 5:30-7:30 pm	"The Leadership Forum" — the BSA hosts a special public forum with our statewide political leaders (see p. 3)	Old South Meeting House	Free RSVPs not required

Mid-size firms address annual firm budgeting

For the past year, a group of mid-size design firm principals, partners and other senior staff have been meeting for lunch monthly at the BSA to exchange practice information.

Started by former BSA president Michael Hicks AIA, the Mid-size Firms Roundtable gathers at the BSA on the fourth Monday of each month for lunch at noon.

In recent months, the group has invited guest speakers to focus on issues such as the legal implications of hiring foreign nationals in this country (immigration law issues, work visas, etc.), the benefits of working with a PR consultant and, this month on **January 28**, financial-management consultant Jim Cantillon leads a discussion of strategies design firms can use to develop annual firm budgets.

If you are part of a mid-size design firm and this looks interesting to you, plan to join us on January 28 or at our future meetings. There is no charge but RSVPs are required so we order enough lunch for everyone. To make your reservation, write/call the BSA at bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221.

Urban design is subject of video series

"Back from the Brink: Saving America's Cities by Design" is another in the series of monthly video programs sponsored at the BSA by the Urban Design Committee.

"Back from the Brink" will be screened this month on **January 17**. There is no charge and all are welcome to join us for the video, for discussion, and for beer and pizza.

Although there is no charge, RSVPs are required by writing/calling bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221.

Corporate Affiliate members gather this month

The Corporate Affiliate members of the BSA gather for our fifth annual reception on **January 15**.

Hosted by BSA president Robert Brown IIDA, AIA, this annual reception acknowledges the significant commitment our Corporate Affiliates continue to make to the BSA professionally, intellectually, and financially. This is our opportunity to say thank-you.

Corporate Affiliate members include contractors, engineers, clients, interior designers, landscape architects, attorneys, insurance advisors and a broad range

of other industry allies who work closely with architects not only on the job site but also within the BSA network. For information on Corporate Affiliate membership and this month's reception, write/call the BSA at bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221.

State's political leaders articulate visions in BSA forum

On **February 4**, the BSA hosts a special public forum during which Massachusetts' political leaders have been asked to focus on leadership and the future of the Massachusetts economy. Governor Jane Swift, State Senate President Tom Birmingham, State Treasurer Shannon O'Brien, Secretary of State Bill Galvin, former Clinton cabinet member Robert Reich, former State Senator Warren Tolman, and former State Democratic Committee Chair Steve Grossman have been invited to participate.

This event, another in the periodic civic forums sponsored by the BSA over the past decade, begins with a 5:30 pm reception at the Old South Meeting House in downtown Boston. The focus of the event, which will be hosted by BSA president Robert Brown IIDA, AIA and moderated by BSA Board member and *Boston Herald* columnist Tom Keane, is these leaders' perspectives on how the state should address the challenges of an unpredictable economy, affordable housing, smart growth and other issues of importance to our profession and to the communities we serve.

For more information on this forum, write BSA special projects director Alexandra Lee at alee@architects.org.

*George Metzger AIA, Chair
Legislative Affairs Committee*

Fellows inaugurate mentoring program for young designers

The BSA members of the AIA College of Fellows have designed a new mentoring program intended to provide young design professionals with easy access to senior practitioners interested in sharing their experience and advice.

Led by BSA College of Fellows Committee co-chairs Gary Graham FAIA, Hugh Shepley FAIA, Tony Tappé FAIA, and Jane Weinzapfel FAIA, this mentoring program gets off the ground in a special Saturday workshop on **January 12**.

Experienced practitioners and young designers interested in mentoring are encouraged to e-mail workshop coordinator Gary Graham FAIA at ggraham@graham-meus.com or write/call Richard Fitzgerald at the BSA (rfitzgerald@architects.org/617-951-1433x232).

IT Wizards share lunch...and ideas

The newest BSA lunch group for design-firm professionals met recently for the first time. This new group — the IT Wizards — is the diverse mix of information technology professionals who play such critical roles in our architectural lives.

At this inaugural meeting, the participants discovered that — although they represented a diverse cross-section of firm types and firm size — they shared many of the same challenges. Issues and projects the group expressed interest in addressing include:

- ▲ Sharing drawing files
- ▲ Large-format printer problems/output issues
- ▲ Control of electronic files and documents
- ▲ CA file sharing
- ▲ Database development for CA
- ▲ Extranet reviews — case studies
- ▲ Compiling a network consultant and vendor directory with recommendations/reviews
- ▲ Distribution of a list of companies and vendors that give BSA/AIA members and member firms discounts
- ▲ Virtual conferencing
- ▲ Design collaboration software
- ▲ E-mail and faxing systems
- ▲ Training for technology-shy principals and others
- ▲ Virus protection and perimeter security
- ▲ Cost-tracking data system
- ▲ Wide-format copiers

If IT is your passion or just happens to be one of the many hats you wear at your firm, there's something for you at these monthly IT Wizards lunch meetings. We meet on the second Wednesday of the month at noon. This month it is **January 9** and lunch is on the BSA; there is no fee but RSVPs to 617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org are required by 9:30 am on the day of the meeting.

Questions? Write/call BSA Deputy Director Nancy Jenner at njenner@architects.org/617-951-1433x227.

Mark Kalin FAIA, Commissioner of Technology
BSA Board of Directors

Ed. note: The BSA "Wizards" label has come to refer to the several professions other than architecture that make design firms sing. In addition to the IT wizards, there are four other lunchtime "wizards" groups meeting regularly at the BSA and focusing on marketing and public relations, human resources, financial management, and office management/administration. For more information on any one of these groups, call/write Richard Fitzgerald at the BSA at 617-951-1433x232/rfitzgerald@architects.org.

Office managers and office administrators form network

Are you the person in your office who seems to be responsible for everything? If so, this is an invitation to join your colleagues performing the same functions in other design firms.

The BSA hosts a group of office managers/administrators and we invite everyone who has these kinds of responsibilities to join us for our first meeting this month on **January 23**; it is noon at the BSA (52 Broad St. in downtown Boston). Lunch is on the BSA; however, RSVPs to bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221 are required by 9:30 am on the day of the meeting.

Ed. note: This lunchtime group of office managers/administrators was the brainchild of Wallace Floyd Design Group office manager Jeanine Slater. This is the fifth lunchtime roundtable of professionals other than architects who meet at the BSA; the others are focusing on human resources, marketing and public relations, information technology, and financial management. If you have an idea for another roundtable appropriate for other types of professionals in design firms, call/write Richard Fitzgerald (617-951-1433x232/rfitzgerald@architects.org).

Can architects be ethical?

The BSA's monthly forum on architectural ethics began last Spring with a general discussion of ethics, morals, the emergence of the professions, and why architecture may (or may not) be a profession.

Discussion in recent months reexamined the conditions surrounding the Hancock Tower problems and the role architects and the BSA should play in such instances...and the view of architecture as an amoral profession without ethical standards.

The Ethics Forum continues this month on **January 9**. This is an opportunity for all of us to gather informally for off-the-record explorations of ethical issues that we encounter every day in our practices. Case studies, real-time cases proposed by practitioners, anonymous case submissions, and general ethical issues are the focus of these discussions.

Co-chaired by Harvard ethicist Victoria Beach and Boston architect Brad Walker AIA, the evening pizza-&-beer discussions at the BSA are on the second Wednesday of each month (except August) at 6:00 pm. Everyone interested in these issues is invited to join us each month. For more information, write Beach at vbeach@gsd.harvard.edu or Walker at bwalker@ruehlwalker.com.



Victoria Beach AIA



Brad Walker AIA

Design firm finance wizards address economy's challenges

On **January 16** the BSA Finance Wizards — architecture firm accountants, bookkeepers and others responsible for firm finances who meet monthly at the BSA — focus on techniques for surviving, even thriving in, a changing and unpredictable economy. Jeff Mead of Tofias P.C., the Cambridge accounting and consulting firm, joins us to provide his insights as our guest speaker.

The Finance Wizards are those of us who spend our days looking after architecture firm finances. These monthly lunch meetings are opportunities to share data on new technologies, to share accounting ideas and new approaches, and in general to create our own network in the profession to help us all do our jobs more effectively.

Recently we explored employment law issues and financial management issues related to employee benefits. Project budgeting, firm budgeting, cash-flow management, motivating project managers and other employees to be budget-conscious, training ourselves and our staff members (if any), managing collections, new financial-management software, billing issues (such as time-&-materials *vs* percentage-of-completion issues), cash accounting *vs* accrual accounting advantages and disadvantages, contract management, late reimbursement bills from consultants, and a good deal more are on our agenda.

Everyone in one of these financial-management roles in a design firm is welcome to join us; BSA membership is not required.

We meet at noon on the third Wednesday of each month and lunch is on the BSA; although there is no charge, reservations are required by calling the BSA at 617-951-1433x221 or e-mailing bsa@architects.org to let us know you are coming so we order enough lunch.

For more information, write/call Richard Fitzgerald at the BSA (rfitzgerald@architects.org/617-951-1433x232).

Smart growth series continues on January 22

For the past few years, a large and active group of Massachusetts architects, civic leaders, political leaders, interested citizens and design and planning professionals has explored ways in which communities in our region can manage and shape urban, suburban and rural growth to enhance opportunity and the quality of life in Massachusetts communities... rather than succumb to unplanned sprawl.

Join us on **January 22** at 6:00 pm in The Architects Building for the next step in this exploration of "How We Live: A Civic Initiative for a Liveable New England". These monthly presentations at the BSA are free and open to everyone.

The Civic Initiative is sponsored by A.J. Martini Inc. and has also benefited from the extraordinary generosity of the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, the U.S. EPA's New England Regional Office, the Urban Land Institute and many other collaborators. RSVP to bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221 so we are able to order adequate refreshments. For more information, write/call me at alee@architects.org/617-951-1433x225.

Alexandra Lee, Special Projects Director

Women explore sustainability

Is sustainable design simply good design? What does "sustainability" mean? How do we talk about sustainability with our clients? How does the notion of sustainability inform the design and construction process? Is "sustainable design" different from "design"?

These are the issues the BSA Women in Design Network addresses on **January 23** in this month's edition of the Network series on women in the design professions.

Moderated by Elizabeth Spelman, Assoc. AIA of Streffian Bradley Associates and Ileen Gladstone of GEI Consultants, this conversation about sustainability begins at 6:00 pm at the BSA. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge; however, to ensure that we order adequate refreshments, you must RSVP no later than January 22 to 617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org.

Working overseas is the issue

On **January 14**, New England architects with an interest in projects overseas gather for the BSA's popular "Working Abroad" monthly gathering. Sponsored by the BSA International Committee, this monthly series welcomes all design professionals interested in talking about international design and practice opportunities and issues.

These informal wine & cheese evenings at the BSA are free and have proved to be excellent design, marketing and networking opportunities as they provide exceptional insights into securing and executing work overseas. Join us at the The Architects Building at 6:00 pm on January 14; RSVP to 617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org.

*Estelle Jackson, Assoc. AIA, Chair
International Committee*

Work by women on exhibit

The exceptional Build Boston exhibit created by women in the design professions moves this month to The Architects Building where it will be on display from January 8 through February 26.

This exhibit — the second annual exhibit of its kind sponsored by the BSA Women in Design Network — is a record of the work of women in architecture, landscape architecture, interior design, engineering, construction, graphic design, industrial design and other design professions.

The BSA annual exhibits program in The Architects Building is sponsored in part by Suffolk Construction Company. For more information on this program and other sponsorship opportunities, call/write Alexandra Lee at the BSA (617-951-1433x225/alee@architects.org).

Existing-buildings code sparks alternate views

While various special-interest groups are promoting stricter code requirements for existing buildings, the BSA Codes Committee has taken a strong stance in favor of an approach that recognizes the larger social and environmental implications of these requirements.

Inspired by the dramatic results produced by the New Jersey Rehabilitation Subcode, which is being adopted in jurisdictions throughout the country, the BSA Codes Committee has adopted the following position statement:

The principal purpose of a building code for existing buildings is to encourage the renovation and safe reuse of existing buildings. When existing buildings are renovated and reused, conservation of materials, energy, and the built environment is achieved. The reuse of existing buildings limits sprawl, preserves the existing fabric of our cities and towns, and enriches our lives through the preservation of our architectural heritage. Because they have demonstrated their habitability, existing buildings can be held to certain minimum standards of life-safety without complying with the code for new construction. The mandatory installation of new HVAC, electrical, and fire-protection systems should only apply when there is a gut renovation (defined as the removal of existing systems and finishes such as to render the building unoccupiable) or a change in use to multi-family residential occupancy. Energy conservation in existing buildings is best regulated by market forces and not through prescriptive code requirements. While attention to certain hazards associated with seismic events is appropriate in the renovation of existing buildings, under no circumstances should an existing building be required to meet the code for new construction for seismic loads.

On **January 16** the Codes Committee will be focusing on alternate approaches to existing buildings at our regular 8:30 am meeting at the BSA. Next month on February 20, the Committee welcomes its counterparts at AGC and members of the Energy Advisory Committee of the State Board of Building Regulations and Standards to discuss proposed amendments to the energy-conservation requirements for existing buildings.

We urge everyone interested in codes issues such as these to join us at these and our other monthly meetings at the BSA (3rd Wednesdays at 8:30 am). For more information, write me at avw@rwsullivan.com.

Vernon Woodworth AIA, Chair
BSA Codes Committee

KidsBuild 2002 is here !

Thousands of Boston-area kids need your help to make KidsBuild 2002 the terrific learning experience that the last several editions of this BSA program have proved to be. To volunteer some time and to enjoy this delightful event that last time around drew over 2,000 children, write/call Andrea Spadafora AIA at aspadafora@cannondesign.com/617-742-5440.

This year the event is **March 8-10** at the Museum of Science and this is our official call to arms for VOLUNTEERS!

We need architects and young designers to participate in the event and to help with a variety of simple tasks leading up to the event.

We also need materials. The most popular materials in this program two years ago were the odds and ends collected from architecture firm libraries. We cannot offer to clean out your library for you, but we will be glad to make use of those outdated product samples. Two weeks before the event, on February 18, we will open a storage space at the Museum of Science and we would love to fill it with one-inch tile samples, fabric chains, flooring samples, and assorted other material samples that you think might unleash a child's creativity. To arrange delivery of donated materials, write/call Erin Hunt at emh@wblinc.com/617-720-7127.

For more information about KidsBuild 2002 and how you can contribute or participate, visit www.architects.org/kidsbuild.htm.

Gie Ramos, KidsBuild 2002 Volunteer



Jobs in the building industry

If you are looking for a job as a professional in the building industry or if you are an employer looking for professionals to fill openings in your firm, the Building Industry Classified is for you. This 17-year old BSA service, which is web-based, is a terrific, inexpensive way to locate and advertise job openings throughout the country. For current opportunities and rate information, visit www.architects.org/classified.html.

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Energy code change informs series of 2002 workshops

As everyone in the industry knows by now, the Massachusetts Board of Building Regulations and Standards (BBRS) adopted new requirements for energy conservation that are now included in the State Building Code (780 CMR, Chapter 13). The new provisions took effect a year ago and constitute an entire replacement of the former Chapter 13, which applies to all new commercial and high-rise residential buildings in Massachusetts.

Last year, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Energy and Massachusetts Gas and Electric Utilities the BBRS administered a year-long series of training seminars on the new energy code. Over 2,500 architects, engineers, interior designers, contractors and allied professionals registered for these sessions which were held in communities throughout Massachusetts.

To accommodate the pervasive interest in the energy code changes, the BBRS is administering a new series of these training sessions again this year. To see the content of the new requirements, visit the BBRS website at www.state.ma.us/bbbs/energy.htm. For the January-June training session schedule, visit the web at www.state.ma.us/bbbs/register/htm or write/call the bsa at bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221.

Ed. note: Massachusetts building and other codes are available from the BSA; to order visit the web at www.architects.org or call/write 617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org.

ArchitectureBoston celebrates exceptional design

The second annual awards issue of *ArchitectureBoston* is being mailed to all BSA/AIA members and *ArchitectureBoston* subscribers later this month. This special issue, complementing the regular idea issues of this BSA magazine, focuses on well-designed projects recognized in the BSA's 2001 design awards programs in healthcare facilities, urban design, sustainable design, unbuilt architecture, the annual honor awards for Design Excellence, the Harleston Parker Award (see p. 8) and other honors and awards earned by Massachusetts architects.

This special issue also includes articles by James McCown on the 10th anniversary of the Boston Civic Design Commission and by Gretchen Schneider, Assoc. AIA on Boston's City Hall Plaza.

After you read this special issue, let us know what you think by sending your letters to editor Elizabeth

Padjen FAIA at epadjen@architects.org or *ArchitectureBoston*, 52 Broad Street, Boston 02109.

Additional copies of this special annual issue can be ordered from the BSA. Call/write me at 617-951-1433x227/njenner@architects.org for an order form.

Nancy Jenner, Managing Editor

Worcester projects to be honored in awards program

The Central Massachusetts Chapter of the AIA is once again collaborating with Preservation Worcester to administer a design awards program that focuses on projects built in Central Massachusetts.

The submission deadline is **March 15**. For guidelines, write/call njenner@architects.org/617-951-1433x227.

*Kathryn Crockett AIA, President
AIA Central Massachusetts*

BSA members and friends tour Cuba and beyond

The BSA's continuing program of international architecture tours for members and all other interested readers — now in its 16th year — was in Thailand/Singapore/Malaysia and in Cuba last month (Havana's capital building is pictured right).

We begin this year with another of our popular tours through Cuba this month, the Yucatan in next month, Paris/Brussels/Amsterdam in April, Argentina and Brazil in May, Greece and Turkey in September, Spain in October, China and Hong Kong in November, and Japan in early December.

For details on any of these tours, call/write the BSA's tour designer/administrator, Deborah Castellucci of Architects On Tour, at 888-802-8303/info@architectsontour.com.



'Green Design' increasingly is mainstream design

Every month brings new evidence in Massachusetts of sustainability as a guiding principle of planning, design and construction. In recent developments:

▲ The Massachusetts Technology Collaborative is administering a new grants program designed to enhance the use of cutting-edge renewable energy and conservation technology. The Collaborative will subsidize construction of 20 new "green" schools in Massachusetts with \$13.5 million in incentives and construction cost assistance to school districts that incorporate new lighting, conservation, renewable materials and alternative energy systems. The State Department of Education is offering a bonus incentive of an additional 2% of total construction costs to projects incorporating green design principles. For details, call the Collaborative at 800-333-6872 or 508-870-0312.

▲ The Devens Enterprise Commission, the permitting authority for the redevelopment of the former Fort Devens (the subject of a BSA planning charrette several years ago), has created a green building incentive program tied to the U.S. Green Building Council's Leading Energy Efficiency and Design (LEED) certification program. This is the first municipal grant program to encourage green building in Massachusetts. Devens is hoping to establish itself as the central location for firms interested in promoting sustainable development and firms that believe environmental protection and economical development are not mutually exclusive terms. For more information, call Peter Lowitt at 978-772-8831.

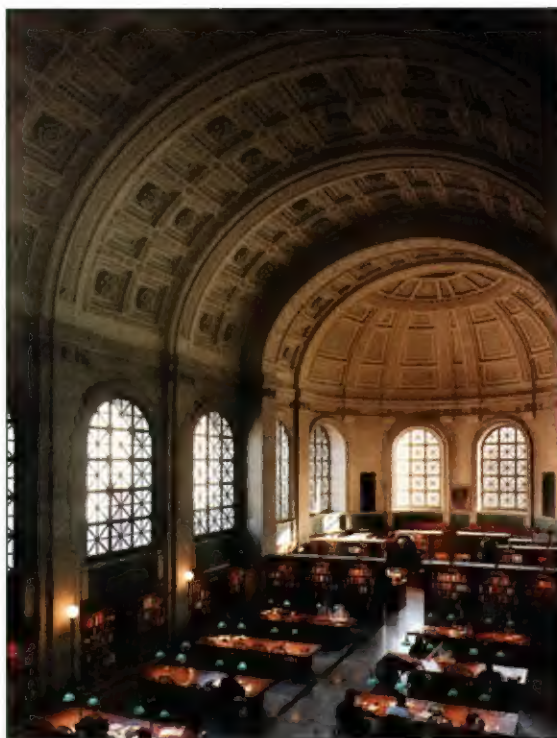
▲ The proceedings of the 2001 Regional Sustainable Development Forum are now on-line. Forum sponsor New Ecology Inc. reports that the proceedings can be downloaded at www.newecology.org by clicking on 'Publications, Proceedings & Papers'. Information about workshop presenters is also available at the site in the Forum Resource Guide. For more information, call/ write Madeline Fraser at 617-354-4099x25/ fraser@newecology.org.

▲ "Issues in Resource Conservation" is the title of a new publication focusing on the management of Earth's diminishing forests by describing technologies and alternatives that currently exist to relieve the pressure on the globe's forests. This publication identifies alternatives to virgin wood fiber, the ways in which building codes affect sustainable development, and the Industrial Hemp Petition. For more information on this and related publications, call the Resource Conservation Alliance at 202-387-8030.

Green design is the bailiwick of the BSA Committee on the Environment, which meets on the second Wednesday of every month at the BSA at 8:00 am; it is a dynamic mix of architects, and allied professionals — join us.

Parker Award honors BPL renovation by SBRA

At the BSA Annual Meeting last month, the BSA membership voted to confer the 2001 Harleston Parker Medal for Architectural Excellence on the Boston Public Library renovation designed by Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott. (The image below is the Bates reading room in the Library.)



Richard Chouk

This project is highlighted in the second annual design awards issue of the BSA magazine, *ArchitectureBoston*, which hits the newsstands later this month. A special awards presentation at the BPL is planned for the Spring.

The jury that recommended the BPL for this prestigious award was chaired by Kallmann McKinnell & Wood's Ted Szostkowski AIA and included Rebecca Barnes FAIA (Boston Redevelopment Authority), Bob Cunkelman P.E. (MIT Department of Facilities), Deborah Fennick AIA (TAMS Consultants), Kimo Griggs AIA (James Kimo S. Griggs Architects), Tom Keane (BSA Public Director and *Boston Herald* columnist), Robert Miklos FAIA (Ann Beha Architects), architectural writer Kathleen Thurston-Lighty, John Tittmann AIA (Albert, Righter & Tittmann) and architectural photographer Nick Wheeler.

For more information on the Parker Medal, write/call rfitzgerald@architects.org/617-951-1433x232.

Brian Healy AIA, Commissioner of Design
BSA Board of Directors

What is the most beautiful project built in your town since 1992?

The City of Boston and the BSA annually present the Harleston Parker Award to the designers of the most beautiful project built in the last decade in the 36 cities and towns in the Greater Boston/MDC area.

Everyone reading this sentence is invited to nominate one or more projects in this region for this award. Any building or monument or similar structure is eligible; it does not matter who the architect is or was. The project could be as large as the Hancock Tower or as small as a single-family home in any of the three dozen towns in the MDC. For some background information and guidelines on the award, visit the web at www.architects.org (or call/write the BSA at 617-951-1433x221/ bsa@architects.org).

September 11: building codes will change

At the October 2001 meeting of the BSA Board of Directors, BSA president Robert Brown IIDA, AIA asked BSA Codes Committee chair Vernon Woodworth AIA to provide the Board with a preliminary assessment of the way in which building and fire codes might change in response to the tragedy of September 11. The following is Woodworth's response.

As the events of September 11 continue to reverberate through our psyches and our society, we are all trying to come to grips with how our profession, as well as other areas of our lives, will be [affected and, as requested, this is my] attempt to predict what, if any, changes will occur in the way that building and fire codes govern the design of our built environment.

This topic has been addressed in all the trade publications that have appeared since September 11 and all agree that no building can be designed to withstand the intentional impact of a fully fueled 767 aircraft. No sprinkler system could put out a fire like the ones we all witnessed in television footage of the World Trade Center disaster. No structural system could survive such extensive damage or such intense heat. In fact, these two buildings, which few architects admired before their demise, must now be acknowledged to have performed remarkably well in terms of life safety: of a potential occupancy of over 50,000 people [current reports estimate that fewer than 4,000] are missing and presumed dead. Nobody can say the exact number of people who evacuated successfully before the collapse of these buildings but clearly the ability of the towers to continue to stand for 55 and 105 minutes beyond impact resulted in the saving of [thousands and perhaps even] tens of thousands of lives.

Many of these lives were saved because individuals chose to ignore the voice evacuation system that was designed to achieve rescue-in-place for all but affected floors. This approach to rescue in high-rise buildings may well be revisited, in particular because rescue efforts on the part of police, emergency medical technicians, and the fire department resulted in extraordinary losses. It is quite likely that the cardinal rule of entering an occupied building to effect rescue under any and all conditions will be re-evaluated after this event. Alarm enunciator panels may in the future be equipped with sensors designed to predict structural failure.

Stair towers under certain circumstances may be required to be separated structurally from the building frame and the required hourly fire-resistance ratings for these and other egress components may increase. There has been a great deal of discussion

about whether we will continue to build high-rises. Apart from the symbolic and high-profile target aspects of these buildings, the simple dynamics of evacuation and the time involved in getting people out of a building safely [are] likely now to become limiting factors in building design. Egress and structural integrity are the two fundamental principles of life safety in buildings. When structural integrity cannot be guaranteed, egress becomes the most important factor in protecting human lives.

Required egress width is based on occupant load. To determine the required width, the occupant load of a floor is multiplied by a given factor (a fraction of an inch in most building codes). High-rise buildings may be subject to higher factor multipliers and may be required to take into account occupant loads for multiple floors, which will result in larger or more numerous exit stairs. The Petronas Towers in Malaysia have introduced an innovation in egress in the form of a bridge between the towers half-way up their height. If the bridge were to survive a catastrophic event in one tower, [the bridge] could be used to reach the adjacent building. This would avoid the long congested descent in a stair tower under uncertain conditions, which is otherwise the only way to evacuate a high-rise.

One way that our world will change after September 11 is an increase in security in all aspects of our public life. Our buildings are likely to become more secure, with more surveillance, less access and more physical barriers to movement. Codes may limit public spaces in certain types of buildings or may require electronic monitoring and remote manipulation of elements such as security doors.

In short, our buildings, like our world, are likely to become less friendly and more electronic.

On high-profile buildings, structural redundancy may become more common and fire-resistance ratings may increase. While the World Trade Center towers were steel, the new Petronas Towers are concrete, which may mark a trend for high-rise design due to concrete's higher failure temperature.

This is a preliminary assessment of the code impact of September 11. Codes are written and modified through committees and large public conventions at which architects, public officials, and special-interest groups all promote their specific agendas. The agendas of these groups have yet to emerge; however, there is no doubt that they will emerge and, most likely, will conflict with one another. As this process unfolds, we will endeavor to keep you informed.

*Vernon Woodworth AIA, Chair
BSA Codes Committee*

The BSA Codes Committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 8:30 am at the BSA; join us.



Vernon Woodworth AIA

Small firms focus on graphics

A firm brochure, a website, proposals, being published, even your office space and letterhead are all part of your marketing effort. What do these graphics-based tools say about you and your firm? How do you identify prospective clients, your unique niche, an appropriate image for your firm...and then publicize all this?

On **January 17**, the Small Firms Committee addresses these marketing issues at its regular monthly lunch at noon at the BSA. Our guest speaker is Jean Valence FSMPS, president of Blackridge Ltd.

There is no charge for BSA members (guests are welcome and pay \$7 at the door); everyone must RSVP no later than January 16 to bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221.

Questions? Call me at 781-721-6541.

*Richard Leaf AIA
Small Firms Committee*

Donations to BSA address diverse opportunities

In recent months, the BSA September 11 Fund has drawn significant attention and contributions from members and friends; however, a variety of other opportunities also regularly attracts contributions from a variety of BSA constituencies.

In recent weeks, for example, the BSA has received these donations:

- ▲ \$1,864 from Arshag Merguerian AIA of Wellesley to support BSA programs designed to enhance public awareness of architecture
- ▲ \$500 from Antonio Di Mambro + Associates of Boston to support the publication of *ArchitectureBoston*, the BSA's magazine
- ▲ \$300 from Levitt & Nucci Interiors in Weston designated for the BSA's September 11 Fund
- ▲ \$100 each from Linda Snyder and from Cutler Associates to support the Boston Foundation for Architecture administered by the BSA

For more information on ways to contribute to BSA-administered opportunities, write/call Richard Fitzgerald at the BSA (617-951-1433x232/rfitzgerald@architects.org).

*Wayne Koch AIA, Commissioner of Chapter Affairs
BSA Board of Directors*

Senator Pacheco honored by Massachusetts architects

Over the last 10 years, the AIA Massachusetts/BSA Legislative Affairs Committee has worked closely with a variety of legislative leaders on Beacon Hill and has developed relationships that have proved to be invaluable when seeking advice and support for legislative initiatives.

Through its two-year Civic Initiative for a Livable New England, for example, the BSA has worked closely with several legislators regarding issues of livable communities and smart growth. **State Senator Marc Pacheco**, Chair of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture, has sponsored the Livable Communities Act that, as we go to press, is before the Senate Ways and Means Committee. Sen. Pacheco was also a participant in the BSA's 9th Congressional District Forum on liveable communities in June at the Old South Meeting House.

The Legislative Affairs Committee has named Sen. Pacheco the Legislator of the Year for 2002 and will honor him during a special ceremony on Wednesday, **January 16** at our monthly Lecture Series at the Rabb Lecture Hall in the Boston Public Library (see p. 1). We urge all BSA members and friends to join us.

We have come to understand more fully the significant role legislators play in shaping the building industry in Massachusetts and we need architects to help us in working with State legislators interested in making the Commonwealth's building industry stronger. We are now planning our annual lobbying event in April. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 8:30 am at The Architects Building; this month it is January 8 and we hope you will join us. For details, write/call Alexandra Lee at alee@architects.org/617-951-1433x225.

*George Metzger AIA, Chair
Legislative Affairs Committee*

YDPDI 2002 is open

The fourth annual class in the BSA's Young Designers Professional Development Institute (YDPDI) begins in March. This is the year-round program that brings young designers together for four hours each month for 12 months to focus on basic office and practice skills.

This unique training opportunity has proved to be an effective means of helping young designers transition from school to work. Over the course of the year, the young designers enrolled in this program are taught basic writing skills, project management skills, presentation skills, finance and budgeting management, and more. For details on the class that begins in March, write/call the BSA at bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221.



Sen. Marc Pacheco

39 schools recruit in Boston

Thirty-nine North American schools of architecture were represented in October at the BSA's annual Career Day in Architecture and Design. Sponsored by the BSA Membership Committee and the Higher Education Information Center, Career Day was once again held at the Wentworth Institute of Technology.

This is an annual event for New England high-school students and their parents and guidance counselors seeking to learn more about careers in architecture and design and to talk with representatives of a diverse range of architecture schools that this year included Arizona State University, the California College of Arts & Crafts, Catholic University, The Cooper Union, the University of Detroit-Mercy, the University of Florida, GIT, the University of Michigan, NJIT, Pratt, RPI, SCIA, the University of Texas, Tuskegee, Yestermorrow Design/Build School and two dozen others including the BAC, RISD, Roger Williams, and Wentworth.

Hosted by BSA president Robert Brown IIDA, AIA and Wentworth provost George Balich AIA, this special day also included a series of workshops on portfolio requirements, financing a design education, choosing a school, what it's really like being in design school, CAD, milestones in the training of an architect, and careers in design.

James Yong of the Higher Education Information Center, Dan Cheng-Ta-Chen AIA of Kallmann McKinnell & Wood, BAC student Deron Granville, Northeastern graduate Mark Stenson, Assoc. AIA, Syracuse graduate Adam Wagner, Assoc. AIA of ADD Inc, Daniel Douglas, Assoc. AIA of Stephen J. Wessling Architects, Jason Puchot, Assoc. AIA of Carter::Burgess, Michael Davis AIA of Bergmeyer Associates, Gina Hawley, NCIDQ of ADD Inc, and Tom Lewis AIA of the Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management were among the BSA members and allies who led the workshop programs.

Ryan Emge, Assoc. AIA of UK Architects, James Robert Kercher, Jennifer Leal, Assoc. AIA of SMMA and Wentworth students Gina Avoli and Justin Humphries were the extraordinary volunteers who worked with BSA Career Day director Penny Mitchell to make this event terrific.

This is one of two such events held in the U.S. each year; the other is in Chicago. For more information on this BSA program, write/call Penny Mitchell at pmitchell@architects.org/617-951-1433x228.

Women honored for nonpareil contributions to the profession

Landscape architect Carol Johnson FASLA (below left) of Carol R. Johnson Associates, *ArchitectureBoston* editor Elizabeth Paden FAIA (below right), and artist and First Night founder Clara Wainwright (below center) were honored at Build Boston in November for their exceptional contributions to the design professions, to the building industry, and to our community over a substantial period of time.

These three leaders were the guests of honor at the Women In Design Network Awards luncheon at Build Boston.



This was the second annual awards program held during Build Boston by the Women In Design Network, which sponsored a day-long conference focusing on a broad range of design issues.

The Women In Design Network meets monthly at the BSA for early-evening conversations on practice, career, design and related issues. All women in the design professions are invited to join us. For more information, write/call Nancy Jenner at the BSA (njenner@architects.org/617-951-1433x227).

Want to borrow/loan staff?

As the economy and the building industry in particular swerves about the landscape, the loaning and borrowing of valued staff members among design firms is increasing. At the suggestion of leaders of several firms at the recent BSA annual planning retreat, the BSA office now provides both a formal and an informal clearinghouse for those firms interested in loaning or borrowing staff members.

The BSA Web-based Classified is the vehicle to use for this purpose; for details on how to use the Classified, write/call Kate Miller kmiller@architects.org/617-951-1433x234.

The economy, codes and smart growth are on the agenda

BSA president Robert Brown IIDA, AIA reports regularly in this column on the work of the BSA Board of Directors.

▲ The impact of an apparent **economic slowdown** is on the Board agenda as we seek new ways to respond to the needs of unemployed and underemployed members as shifts in the economy slow the momentum of our industry. As the BSA's web-based Classified services continue to be expanded to provide free resume listings, automatic job notifications to those interested, the usual job postings, and a employee loan/borrowing service, we are seeking other ways in which to respond to the needs and opportunities implied by changes in the economy.

▲ As we prepared to honor State Sen. Marc Montigny at Build Boston for his powerful **advocacy role** on issues such as school building assistance and fee retainage by public agencies, we also debated the appropriate role of the BSA in a range of political activities such as fund-raising for elective officials. A keen awareness of the growing impact of the profession on public policy-making over the past decade provokes us to think more extensively about the range of options open to an association such as the BSA in the political arena and which of those options should be pursued and which avoided. The debate continues.

▲ **Building envelope** issues were explored by the Board when Building Envelope Committee founder and chair Richard Keleher AIA and co-chair Mark Kalin FAIA provided the Board with the history of the Committee's work including its recent completion of over 70 details designed to help the profession interpret and apply the new state energy code. Keleher and Kalin also described the published work of the Committee and the effective mix of architects, engineers, product suppliers and others who have made this committee such a valuable entity.

▲ **Required continuing-education credits** are on the horizon for Massachusetts architects, according to Board member John Miller FAIA. He noted that the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Architects was planning to join the dozens of other states in the US that currently have mandatory continuing-education requirements, many based on the national AIA Continuing Education System.

▲ The Board has allocated \$40,000 to help fund **architectural research** in Boston-area architectural schools. The intent is to enrich the research environment in our region and to strengthen the links among the schools and practitioners. Board members Stan Anderson of MIT, George Balich AIA of Wentworth, Ted Landsmark, Assoc. AIA of the BAC and Laura Miller of GSD are working with the BSA staff to

define an appropriate process to solicit research proposals and distribute funds accordingly.

▲ The recent adoption of the **International Building Code** by Massachusetts was the subject of a recent Board presentation by BSA Codes Committee chair Vernon Woodworth AIA, who perceived not only a significant step forward for the building industry in Massachusetts with this embrace of the IBC but also perceived an opportunity to repair sections of the code. Woodworth also described a proposed Code Coordinating Council, a proposal to require code training for codes officials, architects, builders and others in the industry, and efforts to make code compliance easier through the use of new technologies. The Board commended Woodworth for his leadership in this major step forward for Massachusetts.

▲ **Uses of the funds** contributed to the BSA September 11 Fund were discussed at a recent meeting. Aware of the enormous amount of contributions received by national agencies such as the Red Cross and New York City-based relief agencies, we have begun to identify potentially appropriate recipients of funds contributed to the BSA effort. New England victims of the September 11 tragedy constitute one group that might benefit from assistance. Donations to the BSA Fund continue to arrive.

▲ **ArchitectureBoston**, the BSA's quarterly magazine was the subject of a recent study by publishing consultants retained by the BSA to evaluate the status of the magazine at this point in its young life and to recommend steps to strengthen the magazine and expand its influence. BSA Deputy Director Nancy Jenner described the scope of the study and the consultants' recommendations, which include the addition of a sixth issue to accompany the current quarterly issues and the special annual awards issue.

▲ **Smart growth**, the focus of the BSA's Civic Initiative for a Liveable New England, has taken a new step forward as Board member Rebecca Barnes FAIA described the current phase of the Initiative. This phase includes monthly discussions at the BSA (see story on p. 5) that seek to define specific implementation steps to enlarge the smart-growth commitment in the region. Barnes noted that transportation issues were now prominent in this phase of the Initiative. Barnes also reported that her term as chair of the initiative had expired and the new co-chairs are BSA vice-president David Dixon FAIA and planner Larissa Brown AICP (Dixon and Brown have been administering the past year's public workshop/phases of the Initiative. Barnes noted that transportation issues were now prominent in this phase of the Initiative).

For details on Board actions, write/call Richard Fitzgerald (rfitzgerald@architects.org/617-951-1433x221).

Robert Brown IIDA, AIA, President



Robert Brown IIDA, AIA

Calls for entries: the BSA's 2002 design awards programs

This year the BSA administers eight design awards programs including a first-time-ever program focusing on the design of K-12 schools in New England and elsewhere. The full list of this year's programs is as follows:

- ▲ **Educational Facilities** (this new BSA Educational Facilities Committee program focuses on K-12 schools and invites New England architects to submit work they have done throughout the world and also invites architects elsewhere to submit New England projects; deadline is **March 4**)
- ▲ **Healthcare Facilities Design** (co-sponsored by the New England Healthcare Assembly, this program solicits submissions of any healthcare facility anywhere in the world by any New England architect *and* architects elsewhere in the world may submit projects built in New England; deadline is **March 18**)
- ▲ **Housing Design** (co-sponsored by AIA New York, this biennial program invites all architects in New England and New York to submit housing projects they have designed throughout the world *and* also invites architects throughout the world to submit New England and New York work; deadline is **April 1**)
- ▲ **Interior Architecture/Interior Design** (sponsored by the BSA, IIDA and ASID, this biennial program invites New England architects and interior designers to submit work they have done throughout the world *and* also invites architects and interior designers throughout the world to submit New England projects; deadline is **April 17**)
- ▲ **Unbuilt Architecture** (any architect, architectural educator, or architecture student anywhere in the world may submit real, academic and/or theoretical projects; deadline is **July 15**)
- ▲ **AIA New England Design Awards** (all New England architects are invited to submit work they have done throughout the world and architects elsewhere are invited to submit New England projects; deadline is **July 29**)
- ▲ **Honor Awards** (the annual BSA honor awards for design excellence, co-sponsored by Poole Professional Ltd. and DPIC, invites submissions of any project of any type anywhere in the world by any Massachusetts architect *and* any architect elsewhere in the world is invited to submit projects built in Massachusetts; deadline is **August 19**)
- ▲ **Harleston Parker Medal** (co-sponsored by the City of Boston and the BSA, this is the annual

effort to identify "the single most beautiful" building or other project built in the MDC area in the past 10 years; for nomination guidelines, write/call Richard Fitzgerald at the BSA at rfitzgerald@architects.org/617-951-1433x232

The Calls for Entries for all of these programs are available on the web at www.architects.org/awards.html and are also available from the BSA at 617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org...and see the related story on p. 16.

Only 13 Fridays are left before it's too late

March 29 is the deadline for the working title, description, and panelists' names for the workshop you wished you had done at Build Boston a few months and now realize you can do for Build Boston this year.

The deadline is **March 29**. For a workshop proposal form, visit the web at www.architects.org and click on "Quick Links" and you can either download the workshop proposal form to complete it manually and mail it to the BSA or you can enter your proposal on-line. For a hard copy proposal form, write/call the BSA at bsa@architects.org/617-951-1433x221 and request workshop proposal form BB-14.

The deadline is **March 29**, which means you only have 13 Fridays left to do this. Questions? Write/call Richard Fitzgerald at rfitzgerald@architects.org/617-951-1433x232.

BSA partners receive 'Currents' exposure and web link

Water & Fire, AV Associates, GroupComm and *High-Profile Monthly* are among our industry allies who have benefited from sponsoring Currents, the BSA's e-news service, establishing an electronic link between the BSA and the sponsors own website.

For details on sponsorship opportunities and to express your comments, critiques and suggestions for BSA's online services, call/write me at 617-951-1433x227/njennner@architects.org.

If you do not receive Currents it is probably because we don't have a current e-mail address for you. Send your e-mail address to Penny Mitchell at pmitchell@architects.org to begin receiving this free service.

Nancy Jenner, Editor
"Currents"

What are we getting for our dues?

This ChapterLetter feature each month highlights one useful program/service/activity our BSA dues help underwrite.

This month we draw attention to the BSA's design awards programs, which are described in the story on this page. The BSA administers several design awards programs each year to draw public and professional attention to design excellence and to the enormous impacts architects have on our built and natural environments. Our assumption is that a more informed profession and more informed public will elevate the practice of architecture and the perceived value of architecture throughout the community. This is one more significant element of BSA work that we help underwrite with our dues.

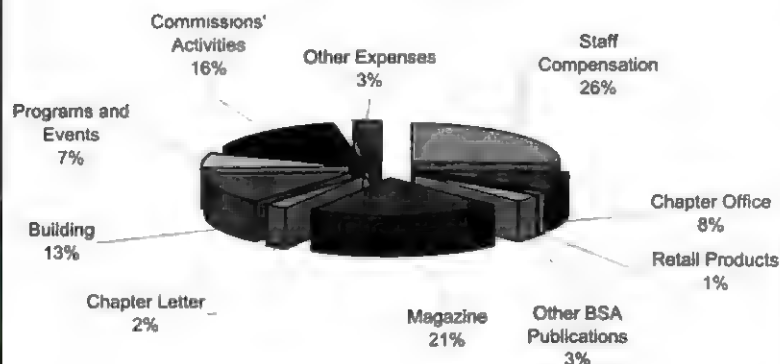
Members adopt \$3.2-million BSA operating budget

At the BSA Annual Meeting last month, members voted to adopt a Board-proposed operating budget of approximately \$3.2 million for this fiscal year. Of special note were these budget elements:

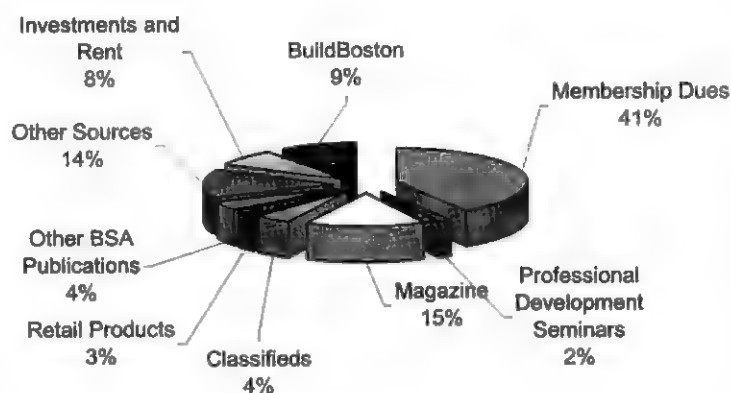
- ▲ the projection of a surplus to ensure the availability of funds for BSA building renovations, reserve funds for balloon mortgage payments, significant downturns in the economy and other predictable and unpredictable events;
- ▲ the projection of another professionally and financially successful year for Build Boston and for *ArchitectureBoston*;
- ▲ the continuing expansion of member services integrated into the web-based classified and related job services for employers and employees;
- ▲ the renewed services of our legislative advisor and our public relations consultants retained to enhance architects' impact on public policy;
- ▲ the extensive redesign of the BSA website to abet our public relations efforts;
- ▲ the significant enhancement of programs and services that address the needs of young designers with emphasis on career services, the Young Designers Professional Development Institute, and the Young Professionals Advisory Council;
- ▲ the continuing investment in the Civic Initiative for a Liveable New England as a means of promoting smart growth and the expansion of Learning By Design in Massachusetts, the BSA's in-school training program for teachers and schoolchildren; and
- ▲ the continued outsourcing of a broad variety of programs and services to ensure that the BSA staff of nine remains flexible enough to respond to new opportunities for members and new members' needs quickly.

As the charts above reflect, only about 41% of the BSA's income is generated by members' dues; the balance is user fees and other program and service

2002 Budgeted Expenses



2002 Budgeted Revenue By Source



income. This low proportion of dues income is unusual and reflects the extraordinary effectiveness of BSA programming in generating revenue.

For more information on or copies of the BSA operating budget, write/call Richard Fitzgerald at rfitzgerald@architects.org 617-951-1433x232.

Jim Dunn, CPA/Assoc. AIA, Treasurer



Jim Dunn, CPA/Assoc. AIA

Do you want to lead the BSA?

Do you want to nominate someone for BSA honors?

Inserted in this issue of the ChapterLetter is the annual BSA Leadership & Honors Poll. This survey solicits your recommendations of individuals the BSA Nominating Committee should consider for the BSA Board of Directors and other elective offices this year. In addition, the survey invites recommendations of individuals for a variety of BSA and AIA honors and awards.

Please complete and return the survey form now...the deadline is **January 22**. For additional copies of the survey form, visit the BSA website at www.architects.org or write/call the BSA at bsa@architects.org 617-951-1433x221.

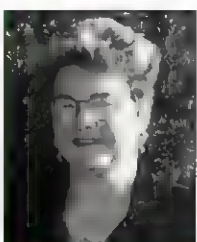
New England has new leaders

Vermont architect **Hunter Ulf AIA** (below left), a principal in the firm of UK Architects, has been elected by his New England colleagues to a three-year term as New England's representative on the national AIA Board of Directors. Ulf, who served last year as president of AIA New England, succeeds Rhode Island's Derek Bradford AIA in this national role; the BSA's Scott Simpson FAIA is the other New England director on the national board.



Kerry Dietz AIA (above right) has been elected to succeed Ulf as president of AIA New England. Dietz, a past president of AIA Massachusetts, is the founding principal of Dietz & Company Architects in Springfield. Dietz was elected to this key regional role during the AIA New England Annual Conference in Exeter, New Hampshire in September.

Marty Smith AIA (below left) has been elected president of AIA Massachusetts, the state wide consortium that includes the BSA, the Central Massachusetts Chapter of the AIA and the Western Massachusetts Chapter of the AIA. Smith is the Facilities Planning Division wizard at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst and is also the new president of the Western Massachusetts Chapter of the AIA.



Kathryn Crockett AIA (above right) has been elected the new president of the Central Massachusetts Chapter. Crockett, who has served on the Central Massachusetts Chapter executive committee for the past year, is a partner with Lamoureux Pagano Architects in Worcester.

For more information on the structure of AIA in our region and nationally, send requests with a 34¢ SASE to AIA Network/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109.

Reinharz and Keane enrich BSA Board of Directors

Dr. **Shulamit (Shula) Reinharz** has been named to the BSA Board of Directors as its new Public Director. Reinharz is the Jacob Potofsky Professor of Sociology at Brandeis. She was the director of the Women's Studies Program at the University from 1992 through 2001, founded the Hadassah International Research Institute on Jewish Women in 1997 and founded the Women's Studies Research Center at Brandeis last year (the latter two programs are housed in a facility she designed and for which she raised all of the funds).

Reinharz is the author and editor of several books and articles on social research, women's studies and gender issues, is co-editor of the academic journal *Nashim*, and for five years was co-editor of the journal *Qualitative Sociology*. She is also the recipient of numerous awards for her work and a frequent speaker on leadership and other issues for numerous organizations, including the BSA.

Reinharz joins former Boston city councilman **Tom Keane**, the other Public Director on the BSA Board. Keane was appointed to this role two years ago and has been re-appointed for a new three-year term. Keane is a public-policy expert who has brought a new level of policy dialogue to the Board. He is an attorney, writes a weekly column for *The Boston Herald*, and is currently a partner in the New York City private equity fund of Murphy & Partners.

The BSA established the Public Director seats on the Board in the earlier 1990s to ensure that the BSA awareness of and impact on significant public issues was enriched and informed by wise counsel outside the architectural profession.

The BSA is privileged to have Tom Keane back for another term and to welcome Shula Reinharz to her first term on the Board.

For more information on this and other BSA governance issues, write/call Richard Fitzgerald at the BSA (rfitzgerald@architects.org 617-951-1433x232).

Robert Brown IIDA, AIA, President



Dr. Shulamit Reinharz



Tom Keane

Awards celebration soars

Over 600 BSA members and friends throughout the region and the country gathered in Boston on November 15 for a first-time-ever BSA awards celebration that was an extraordinary mix of high-tech video displays, poignant recognition of a local hero, and a full evening of exceptional music, refreshments, and networking with colleagues and clients.

This celebration was the finale of Build Boston, which drew over 12,000 registrants for three days of workshops, films, issue-oriented conferences on housing and healthcare, a celebration of women in the design professions, extraordinary exhibits of the work of New England architects/engineers/interior designers/landscape architects, and an exhibit hall packed with displays of new products and services for the industry. Build Boston was sold out in every way, the most vibrant and largest edition of this building industry event in its 17-year history.

Award of Honor

Sasaki Associates principal Ken DeMay FAIA was the local hero honored in a special presentation introduced by BSA president Robert Brown IIDA, AIA. Amid the social exuberance of the evening, DeMay was able to capture the attention of the celebrants with a delightful PowerPoint history of the intertwined evolution of his firm and his own career as an architect and an AIA/BSA activist over several decades.



The Kiosk Competition

To house this awards celebration, the BSA took over the huge Plaza Ballroom of The Seaport Hotel. The ballroom environment was transformed by four video-project kiosks created as part of a design competition administered by the BSA earlier in the year. Selected from 28 submissions, the four beautiful, large-scale kiosks that dominated the ballroom were designed and built by these exceptional teams:

- ▲ Dartagnan Brown and Christopher Marcinkoski (both of Prellwitz/Chilinski Associates) and the Lee Kennedy Company (photo #1)
- ▲ University of Massachusetts/Amherst student Kathryn Kimball and Beacon Skanska Construction (#2)
- ▲ Keith Moskow AIA, Craig Buttner, and Robert Linn (Keith G. Moskow Architects) and Payton Construction (#3)
- ▲ University of Massachusetts/Amherst student Hilary Kuzmeskus and Shawmut Design and Construction (#4).

For information on the next competition, write Awards Celebration project director Alexandra Lee at the BSA (alee@architects.org).

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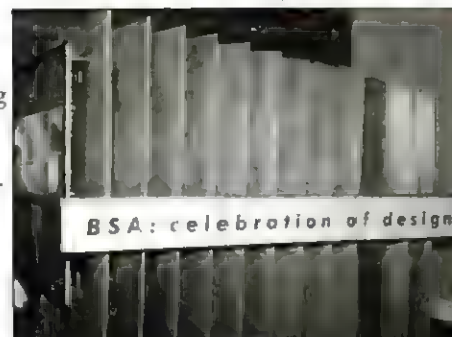
The kiosk projection systems enabled the assembled throng to enjoy continuous visual presentations of all of this year's BSA Honor Awards for Design Excellence award-winning projects — the annual design awards program sponsored by Poole Professional Ltd. and DPIC — as well as all of the award-winning projects in the BSA's 2001 awards programs focusing on healthcare, urban design, sustainable design, unbuilt architecture and the Harleston Parker award-winning renovation of the Boston Public Library by Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott (all of these award-winning projects are gathered together in the special awards issue of *ArchitectureBoston* this month). Everyone who attended the awards celebration received a free CD containing the complete visual record of 2001 award-winning projects displayed throughout the evening. This extraordinary CD was designed by CBT's Thom Long with the invaluable assistance of BSA intern Kate Kelly.

Sponsors made it happen

In addition to the remarkably generous construction companies that built the kiosks — Payton Construction, Shawmut Design and Construction, Beacon Skanska, and the Lee Kennedy Company, the BSA is also grateful to our allies who sponsored the entire evening: Vanderweil Engineers once again was the prime sponsor of this event and was joined by Tofias PC, Consulting For Architects, Donovan Hatem LLP, Marc Truant & Associates, and the New England Regional Council of Carpenters.

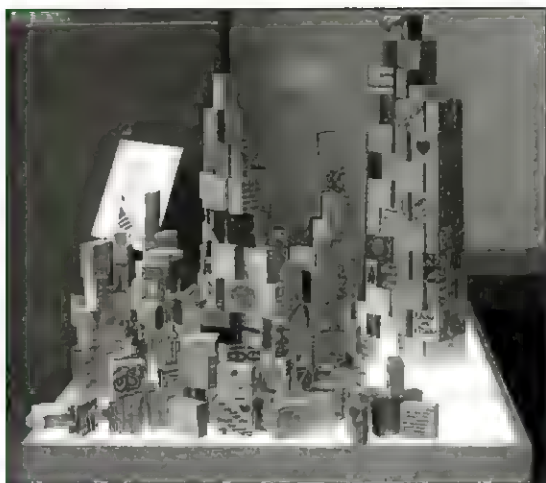
I also would like to acknowledge the contribution of Cambridge Seven Associates managing principal Peter Kuttner FAIA, who worked with CBT to design this entirely new approach to celebrating the designers and project-team allies, and BSA special projects director Alexandra Lee for her superb management of this celebration.

Robert Brown IIDA, AIA, President



"Havana and its Architecture: Modern in Pre-Castro Cuba" is the focus of a January 23 presentation by Lee Cott FAIA, who recently sold out the Boston Public Library lecture hall for his BSA presentation on past and future Havana. The January 3 presentation is at the Museum of Fine Arts and begins at 7:30 pm. For ticket information, call 617-369-3770 or 3306.

A Chinatown Banquet is the unique series of exhibits and events focusing on the history of Boston's Chinatown and its contemporary culture. Funded in part by the Boston Foundation for Architecture, this series of events includes the "Dreams of Freedom" exhibit running through February 17 at Boston's Immigration Museum (One Milk Street/www.dreamsoffreedom.org) and a unique composite of short video pieces about Chinatown's social history screened on February 7 at 7:30 pm and again on February 9 at 3:00 pm. For more information, call 617-338-6022.



The All Souls: September 11 Memorial art exhibit in Boston's South End Cyclorama in October included this interactive exhibit consisting of wood building blocks featuring artwork, quotations and collages by CBT employees, family and friends, and the public. The exhibit enabled individuals to express personal responses to the September 11 tragedy. The exhibit is currently on display in CBT's lobby at 110 Canal Street in downtown Boston. The sculpture is still being enlarged as visitors add to it.

A public artwork and landscape plan is the subject of a current competition focusing on historic Camp Meigs at Readville in Boston's Hyde Park. Five competitors will be awarded \$2000; applications are due on February 15. The selection panel includes *ArchitectureBoston* editor Elizabeth Padjen FAIA, Mary Ann Thompson AIA, landscape architect Carol Johnson FASLA, urban planner Ron Fleming AICP, and artist/sculptor John Wilson. The competition is administered by The Heritage Guild. For more information,

call The Browne Fund, which provided the grant for this competition, at 617-635-3414 (Chantal Charles), Adelaide Cromwell at The Heritage Guild (617-731-4391), or Donald Yacovone at the Massachusetts Historical Society (617-646-0525).

Are your accounts receivable? The very tactical BSA accounts-receivable management service described in recent issues of the *ChapterLetter* can be explored by calling Janet Allison, who directs this service for the BSA, at 617-951-1433x304.

www.municipalent.com is the place to go to register on-line for the new Internet-based procurement system being adopted by cities and towns throughout Massachusetts. Registering on-line for this service is free and ensures the ability of municipalities to notify those registered of goods and services municipalities are seeking to procure. For more information on this service, call 866-686-4266. (Reminder: should you discover that design services are being solicited with requests for fee bids notify the BSA at rfitzgerald@architects.org/617-951-1433x232 and we will remind municipalities of the inappropriateness of fee-bidding for design services).

Remember the birdhouses? Two years ago, the BSA worked with Shelter Inc., the non-profit agency that serves the homeless in the greater Boston area, with its first birdhouse-design competition for architects as the focus of its annual spring fund-raising event. Shelter Inc. repeated the success last year with a focus on artwork and this returns to the original birdhouse-design theme. Dozens of BSA members and friends participated the first time around by designing extraordinary birdhouses that were subsequently auctioned to raise funds for Shelter Inc. For more information on this year's program, led once again by BSA board member Marc Margulies and Ann Margulies, write/call Shelter Inc.'s Dorene Glynn at dglynn@shelterinc.org 617-864-8140.

"A Guide to the City of Boston's Zoning Board of Appeals Process" and "A Citizen's Guide to Getting a Building Permit" in Boston are the titles of two brochures available from the Boston Inspectional Services Department at 617-635-5300x1300.

"ESOP: The Misunderstood Tool of Ownership Transfer" is the title of a recent article in *Principal's Report*, the national newsletter on building industry practices. The article, written by management consultant Mike Hall, draws on his experience developing transfer plans for more than 100 design firms. He describes how ESOPs can be used or abused and how to use them properly in the ownership transfer of a design firm. For a free copy of this article (available only by mail) members in Massachusetts should send requests with a 34¢ SASE



HGTV wants you!

The popular Home and Garden Television (HGTV) series, "Kitchen Design" and "Bed and Bath Design", are beginning production of their third season in New England. Dozens of BSA members already have participated in this project and have received a nice dollop of national TV exposure. If you are an AIA member in Massachusetts and are interested in participating in this marketing opportunity, send photos of kitchens, master bedrooms, or baths you have designed to Above the Line Programming, 28 South St., Hingham MA 02043 or call Sue Bush at 781-740-4046

to ESOP/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109; others should enclose a \$15 handling fee payable to the BSA along with the 34¢ SASE. (No cover letter is necessary if your envelope is addressed precisely as noted above.) For subscriptions to *Principal's Report*, call 212-244-0360...and for additional resources on ownership transition, visit the BSA's Design Resources & Gifts catalogue at (see items #1 & #5) at www.architects.org/publication.html.

Small firm principals, partners and other professionals are encouraged to become members of the National Small Project Forum PIA; it is free. This national network produces a periodic journal mailed free to all members of this PIA and the journal is typically full of useful information for small firms and others who do small projects. Members also have special access to this resource at www.aia.org. For more information, write Plukas@aia.org.

All PIAs are now free. There are some two dozen national PIAs and beginning in January all AIA members will enjoy free access to all PIAs; the former \$50 fee to join each PIA has been eliminated. For details on all of the PIAs, visit www.aia.org.

Havana is the destination for the February 2002 Boston Architectural Center study tour. This week-long adventure (February 2-9) is part of the BAC's efforts to establish an historic preservation and residential restoration program to complement its existing programs in architecture and interior design. For more information, write/call Anne Merrill at the BAC (anne.merrill@the-bac.edu/617-585-0266).

ArchVoices is a new e-newsletter for young design professionals. The BSA staff has found it to be an excellent source of information on issues of interest to young designers and a good source of news in general. For more information or to view past issues, visit <http://www.egroups.com/group/archvoices>.

Office information management systems are the focus of a recently released BSA task force report. Led by Peter Sugar AIA, a small group of members and allies — including Brian Kelly, Tom Scarlata, CSI, CCS, AIA, Christiaan Semmelink AIA, and Will Truslow III, Assoc. AIA — has developed a series of recommendations for information management in design firms. The draft report is available for comment now; for a free copy, send your request with a 76¢, 9"x12" SASE to OIS Reports/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109.

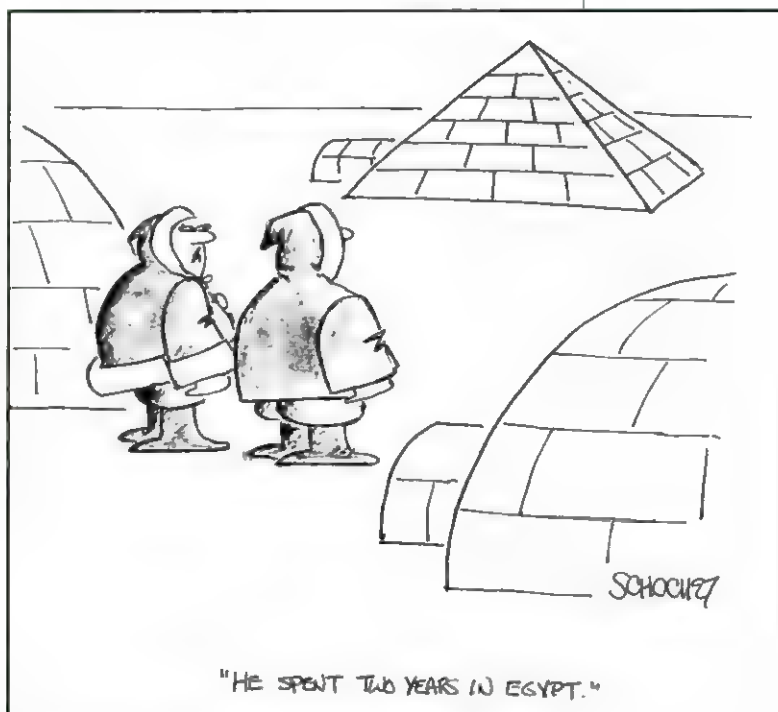
Can you "recession-proof" your firm?

Struggling with fees that are not rising fast enough, new investments in information technology, soon-to-retire principals/partners and other realities may have you thinking about the next economic squeeze. Two recent articles in *Principal's Report* focus on the early warning signs of an economic downturn in your

business, how to avoid problems, and addresses issues such as time management, fees and pricing, governance, billing controls, etc. For a copy of these articles (available only by mail), members in Massachusetts should send a 55¢ SASE to Recession Tips/RF, BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109; non-members should enclose a \$15.00 handling fee payable to the BSA along with the 55¢ SASE. (For subscriptions to *Principal's Report*, call 212-244-0360.)

The City Ties, the collection of extraordinary ties designed by Civitas using the city plans of Boston, Rome, Chicago, San Francisco and Washington DC, are again available from the BSA. In addition, similar city-plan designs (Florence, Rome, Washington DC) are now available on beautiful silk scarves as well. To order the ties and scarfs, use the Design Resources catalog enclosed in this issue of the ChapterLetter (they are items #222, #222R and #222S) or call/write the BSA for an order form (617-951-1433x221/bsa@architects.org) or visit the Web site at www.architects.org and click on "Publications and Resources", then "Resources".

ArchitectureBoston is on the newsstands. The BSA's quarterly magazine, now two years old and recently honored with its second national magazine editorial and design award, has also been selected for distribution at public newsstands throughout the US. The next time you amble down the street to pick up your daily newspaper, urge your newsdealer to carry *ArchitectureBoston*.



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Competitions/Awards/Grants

BSA Design Awards programs (see pp. 8, 13 & 16)...**Rotch Scholarship**; \$35K & \$15K competition prizes; 1/1 deadline for written requests for deadlines to BSA, 52 Broad St., Boston 02109/ bsa@architects.org...**Loeb Fellowship** nominations; Jan. deadline; 617-495-9345...**Fellowships for women in architecture**; \$5-12K awards; 1/10 deadline; <http://www.aauw.org>...**The Steedman Fellowship** in Architecture; \$20K; 1/26 deadline; 314-935-6293/ steedman@arch.wustl.edu...**SEGD Design Awards**; 1/31 entry deadline; Society for Environmental Graphic Design (www.segd.org) 202-638-5555)...**Berlin Prize Fellowships** in architecture and other disciplines; 2/1 deadline; 212-588-1755/fax 212-588-1758 (The American Academy in Berlin, New York City)...**Practice/Education linkage prize**; \$25,000 first prize for architecture school integrating practice and education; 2/1 deadline; Michiel Bourdrez AIA/ NCARB; 202-879-0533/ mbourdrez@ncarb.org...**Public Artwork/Landscape Plan** competition for historic Camp Meigs in Boston; 2/15 deadline; 617-635-3414 (The Browne Fund)...**\$50,000 Latrobe Fellowship** for research in professional practice; 3/1 appl. deadline; 202-626-7521 (Pauline Porter, AIA College of Fellows)...**First Night** visual and performing arts proposals; March deadline; 617-542-1399...**Green Building Awards**; 3/1 deadline; cash prizes; www.nesae.org 413-774-6051 (Meghan Houlihan, NESEA)...**Dupont Benedictus Awards** for use of architectural laminated glass; 3/1 deadline; 202-626-7446/800-872-5001...**Annual Photography Competition** open to architects in the U.S., AIA Associate members, and AIAS student members; 3/1 deadline; cash awards and publication in the AIA Engagement Calendar; 314-621-3484 (Patricia Bausch)...**Justice Facilities Review** juried publication; March submission deadline; 202-626-7300 (Glennette Clark)...**Business Week/Architectural Record Awards**; March appl. deadline; 888-242-4240...**Build Boston workshop** proposal deadline; 3/29; www.buildboston.com or 617-951-1433x221/ bsa@architects.org...**Historic preservation grants**; Mass. Historical Commission/ \$300,000; 617-727-8470/ www.magnet.state.ma.us/sec/mhc...**Predevelopment Assistance Program** funds to support early-stage economic development projects in Mass.; rolling deadlines; 800-445-8030 (Mass. Development Finance Agency)...**Victorian-era buildings awards** (exteriors or interiors), public places, open spaces, etc.); Jack Grinold, 48 Greycliff Rd. Brighton MA 02135...**AIA Honors & Awards** programs including the Gold Medal, Kemper Award, Whitney Young Citation, Honorary AIA Membership, Design Honor Awards, 25-Year Award, Urban Design Awards, AIA College of Fellows,

Honorary Fellowship, Thomas Jefferson Awards for Public Architecture, Young Architects Citation, Library Building Awards, Institute Honors, Architecture Firm Award, Henry Bacon Medal, Topaz Medallion for Education, Brick in Architecture Awards, Interior Architecture Awards, Concrete Masonry Design Awards, Cedar Design Awards, etc.; deadlines vary; 617-951-1433x221 (ask for the Annual Awards Schedule)...**Architectural grants/fellowships/scholarships resources**; the Foundation Center Library/Associated Grantmakers of Mass.; 617-426-2606...**Minority/Disadvantaged Scholarship** program; annual AIA/AAF Scholarships; 202-626-7511 (Mary Felber)...**Aga Khan Award**, Program Procedures, 32 chemin des Crete-de-Pregny, CH-1218 Grand Saconnex, Geneva, Switzerland (\$500K in prizes; rolling deadlines)...**Student competitions**; programs & deadlines vary; 202-626-7472 (AIAS); 212-924-7000 (NIAE); 202-785-2324x2 (ACSA/Wood Products Council); DuPont Benedictus Design Competition; 202-628-0448 (ACSA)...**Fulbright grants** for architects and urban planners; www.iie.org/cies; 202-686-4000 (fax 202-362-3442)...**NEA design project grants** and individual grants/fellowships (up to \$20K) for designers; 202-682-5437...**The MacDowell Colony residency** for architects; 1/15, 4/15 & 9/15 seasonal deadlines; www.macdowellcolony.org 603-924-3886...**Peace Corps** assignments throughout the world; rolling deadlines; www.peacecorps.gov...For details on the American Architectural Foundation Richard Morris Hunt Fellowship and numerous AIA-related fellowships and scholarships for minorities/disadvantaged individuals, professional degree candidates, health facilities design, research and other purposes, including the RTKL Traveling Fellowship, call 202-626-7429...**"Competitions"** magazine reports regularly on design competition results; for a subscription, call 502-451-3623.

Workshops/Conferences

Build Boston 2002; 11/12-14; 200 workshops/award-winning designs exhibits/350 product exhibits/12,000 design & construction professionals/awards celebration/clients networking extravaganza; www.buildboston.com; for Build Boston workshop proposal forms, visit the same website or write bsa@architects.org (see also p. 13)...**Harvard GSD winter/spring seminars**; January and March; for more information visit www.gsd.harvard.edu/exceed or write/call exceed@gsd.harvard.edu 617-496-0436...**Residential lighting controls** seminar; 1/16; ltkpr1@aol.com 781-935-8500 (Steve Field); sponsored by IESNA and BAGB...**AIA Leadership Institute**; 1/18 deadline; 202-687-4494 (Linda Hopper)...**"The Business Side of Preservation"** workshop; 1/25-1/26,

Windsor VT; 802-674-6752...**Yestermorrow Design/Build School** courses; through 3/02; www.yestermorrow.org 888-496-5541...**BAC continuing education programs** in architecture and interior design; 617-585-0101/ ce@the-bac.edu...**BAC Campus of Campuses** program on CA, green interior design, solar design, presentation skills; 617-585-0203...**IIDA New England** programs: Boston (617-482-3232, Dianne Dunnell); Hartford/Springfield (860-659-1010x2380, Stevanie Demko); Portland/Portsmouth (207-671-4973, Pam Napolitano)...**Planning/Zoning Appeals Boards** training sessions; Citizen Planner Training Collaborative; www.umass.edu/mass-cplc 413-577-3642...**Zoning clinics**; every Tues., 9am-noon; Boston Plans & Zoning Unit, 1010 Mass. Ave., Boston (617-635-5300x1300)...**Northeastern University Center for Continuing Education Building Design and Management** courses; 617-320-8000...**Wentworth Institute of Technology professional and continuing studies** programs; 617-442-9010x446...**Jewish Vocational Service career, job-hunting** and related workshops; 617-965-7940...**Women's Educational and Industrial Union career services workshops** and other services on job-hunting and other career issues; 617-536-5657...**BU Program for Real-Estate Studies**; 617-353-3013.

Exhibits/Lectures/Tours

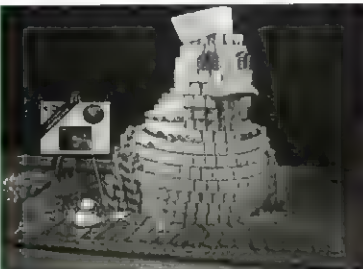
BSA exhibits; (see pp. 2, 5 & 16)...**BSA design tours** (kmiller@architects.org)...**A Chinatown Banquet**; exhibits and video performances; 617-338-6022/ www.dreamsoffreedom.org...**Mass. Building Congress** lecture series: Environmental Affairs Secretary Bob Durand; 1/10, Boston; 978-921-9222...**"Modernism in Havana"**; MFA lecture by Lee Cott FAIA; 1/23 (see p. 17)...**Northeastern** lecture series: Jean-Louis Cohen on Le Corbusier — 1/24; architectural historian Mardges Bacon also on Le Corbusier — 1/29; www.architecture.neu.edu 617-373-2347...**Harvard GSD exhibition** — Neutra's house for John Nicholas Brown (11/10-1/27); 617-495-4784...**Black Heritage Trail** (year-round; 617-742-5415)...**SPNEA** programs and **Gropius House tours** (year-round); 617-227-3956...**MIT Museum** exhibit of the work of Doc Edgerton; 617-253-4405...**Historic architectural drawings** exhibit at the Library of Congress; 800-551-7328...**"The Four Shapes of Boston"** a slide-lecture on Boston's architectural history available to rent (with speaker); 617-367-2345...**Art & architecture tours** of the BPL; 617-536-4000x212.

A schedule of 2002 BSA, AIA New England, & national AIA design awards programs is available on the very cool BSA Web site at www.architects.org (click on "News and Events", then "Honors and Awards") call 617-951-1433x221 or write bsa@architects.org

People

CBT welcomes new employees Michael McGroarty and Julie Mejia. **John Uzee AIA** and **William Loftis AIA** represented **ADD Inc** as guest speakers on workplace change at the NeoCon conference in LA in November. **Sherman 'Pat' Morss Jr. AIA** has moved into a new role as consultant to Finegold Alexander + Associates as he establishes his new business as a consulting architect and architectural photographer; Morss can be reached at 2 Rouse Rd., Gloucester MA 01930; 978-281-5883/ morss@cove.com. **Silverman Trykowski Associates** is celebrating its 5th anniversary. **CannonDesign's** design of The Montante Cultural Center at Canisius College in Buffalo has been honored by **AS&U**, AIA New York State, and IES/Western New York; **Richard Carlson AIA** and **Debi Lacey McDonald AIA** represented the firm as guest speakers at the SCUP North Central Regional Conference in Wisconsin in October; McDonald also represented the firm at the Tradelines conference in November with **David Body AIA**, **RIBA**. **Warner + Associates** has moved to 192 South St., Boston 02111; 617-482-6686/ info@warnerarch.com. **Charles Rose AIA** recently served as a juror for the national *Business Week/Architectural Record* Awards program. **Sasaki Associates** has announced that Carla Francazio AICP, Will Gerstmyer, and Willa Kuh have been named Senior Associates and new Associates include Leslie Bordonaro, Rob Calderaro ASLA, Ting Chang P.E., Stephen DiGiacomo, **Lloyd Dyson AIA**, Stacey Ebbs, Michael Jones, Esq., Stephen Kun, Kate Mulcahy, **Julia Nugent AIA**, Philip Perlín, Jin Roh, Ted Schirmacher AICP, John Sousy P.E., David Stone IIDA, and Christine Teike ASLA. **Tony Tappé FAIA** has been appointed to the BAC Board of Overseers; Tappé Associates recently hosted the NAAB team visiting the BAC. **Einhorn Yaffee Prescott** has announced that **Binh Vinh AIA** and **Lois Rosenblum, Assoc. AIA** have been named principals of the firm. London's AA Publications has just released **Kennedy & Violich's** new book, *KVA/Material Misuse*. **Mark Hutker & Associates** has been honored by *Builder* magazine for the design of a Canton home and workplace; two of the firm's residential projects were also on display recently at the University of Miami School of Architecture during its 75th anniversary. Nine healthcare facilities designed **Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott** were highlighted in a special exhibit during the national AIA Symposium on Healthcare Design in Tennessee last month; one of the projects, the Bronson Methodist Hospital, was also the focus of a special research initiative conducted as part of the Symposium. **Maryann Thompson AIA** has opened her new practice, Maryann Thompson

Architects, at 14 Hillside Ave., Cambridge 02140; 617-491-4144/ maryann@maryannthompson.com. The 11/01 issue of *Architecture* includes a story by *ArchitectureBoston* editor **Elizabeth Padjen FAIA** on the proposed addition to HHR's Ames Free Library in North Easton by **Schwarz/Silver** with **Albert, Richter & Tittmann** and also includes a feature on the Utah Museum of Fine Arts designed by **Machado and**



Silvetti...Architectural Resources Cambridge's creation of this "ARC Helping Boston DUCK Hunger" sculpture (above) was voted as the juror's favorite at the annual CANstruction competition at the Museum of Science in November; this 6-ft. "rubber" duck built almost entirely from black bean and tomato cans, is one of six Boston CANstructions to be sent on to the national competition in Washington DC. In recent issues of *The Boston Globe*, **Robert Campbell FAIA** writes on CBT's design of the new Boston office tower at 111 Huntington Ave., on **Brian Healy Architect's** competition-winning housing design for Chicago, the Neutra exhibit at Harvard GSD, and on Camp Dresser & McKee's design of the Sullivan Water Purification Plant in Cambridge. Recent issues of *Banker & Tradesman* highlight the work of **Watermulder Andrews Architects** and include articles by **Richard Schmidt AIA** on high-rise development, **David Dixon FAIA** and Andrew Grace on the redevelopment potential of Somerville's Assembly Square, and *B&T* architecture critic **Jeffrey Stein AIA** on the new architecture of Mission Main, 535 units of housing on Smith Street in Boston. In November, *Banker & Tradesman* published a special issue of its "Structures" magazine devoted entirely to Build Boston and including articles by Build Boston panelists **Laura Wernick AIA** on high-performance schools, **Jim McBain AIA** on working within accessibility guidelines, **Richard Rundell AIA** on computer-aided design, and Corporate Affiliate members Mark Luchini P.E. on design communications, Phil Lofgren on telecom design impacts, Mitchell Klein on electronic systems design and Kathy Gips on accessibility. **Andrea Leers FAIA** recently lectured on the work of her firm at Roger Williams University in Rhode Island.

New Work

Goody, Clancy and Associates is designing the adaptive reuse of Union

AGC Awards

In October, AGC presented its annual Build Massachusetts Awards to 22 Massachusetts-area project teams responsible for these facilities: Suffolk University Law School ("Best in Show" by Barr & Barr Builders and Tsoi/Kobus & Associates); **Honor Awards** — World Trade Center East Boston (Turner Construction and Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott for Pembroke Real Estate); Reebok International World HQ, Canton (Turner/O'Connor Joint Venture and NBBJ); Elderhostel Corporate HQ (Gustafson Construction and Walsh/Kochis Associates), Boston Shriners Hospital (Beacon Skanska and O'Dell Associates) and The Swiss House for Advanced Research and Education, Cambridge (Marc Truant & Associates and Juang & Waldvogel); **Merit Awards** — Ecumenical Center, Framingham (Colantonio and CBT for Framingham State College), Family Service of Greater Boston Corporate HQ relocation (Richard White Sons & Paul J. Donnelly AIA, P.E. and Steven Paradis), Harvard's Memorial Hall Tower Spire restoration (Shawmut Design and Construction and CBT), Boston Biomedical Research Institute facility, Watertown (Siena Construction and DTS Shaw), HealthAlliance Hospitals East Building, Leominster (George B.H. Macomber Co. and DiGiorgio Associates), New Bedford Whaling Museum (Richard White Sons and Solomon & Bauer), Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Worcester (Payton Construction and Steffian Bradley Associates), and the Paul R. McLaughlin Youth Center, Boston (Lee Kennedy Co. and William Christopher and Mostue & Associates for the Boys' & Girls' Club of Dorchester); **Performance Awards** — Josiah Quincy Upper School, Boston (R.W. Granger & Sons and Equus Design), the HBS Spangler Center (William A. Berry & Son with Robert A. M. Stern Architects), the City Hall Plaza Community Arcade (Richard White Sons and Chan Krieger), the Christian Book Distributors Facility (Turner Construction and SMMA), MotorMart Garage restoration, Boston (Shawmut Design and Construction and Bergmeyer Associates for DeMatteo Realty), BU's DeWolfe Boathouse (Walsh Brothers and ARC), Harvard Pilgrim's Department of Ambulatory Care and Prevention (Payton Construction and Signer Harris Architects), and the Logan Airport Hilton (Beacon Skanska and Cambridge Seven Associates).

Station in Springfield and is conducting a study for the National Park Service of the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route, a proposed 600-mile trail through nine states that traces the 1781-1782 march from Rhode Island to Virginia for the Battle of Yorktown and the return march to Boston. **Cambridge Seven Associates** has designed The American



Oliver Egleston AIA (above) has been named president of Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott. photo by Margaret Lampert



Shelley Harris AIA (above) has joined Taylor & Partners



David Capaldo AIA (above) of the Design Partnership of Cambridge recently earned his architect's license photo by Jennifer Waring-Capaldo

National Fish and Wildlife Museum in Missouri and is designing learning labs for MIT's Aerospace Department...**ADD Inc's** recent and current work includes the Cambridge Research Park underground parking garage in Kendall Square, the 300 Third Street lab-friendly office building in Cambridge, and The Walker's Brook Crossing spec office building in Reading...**Archdesign's** recent and current work includes Ryan Construction's new corporate HQ in Walpole, several projects including a library renovation for Wheaton College, interior-design services for MRI Centers of New England and for Immunogen in Norwood, an apartment complex in Quincy, and feasibility/programming/design/construction services for several Riverside Community Care facilities throughout the state...**TRO/The Ritchie Organization** is designing an obstetric and newborn-care facility at the Maine Medical Center in Portland...**The Architectural Team's** recent and current work includes the Concord Park independent and assisted-living facility in West Concord and The Legacy at Arlington Center upscale apartment complex...**Gensler's** recent and current work includes new offices in Harvard Square for the University, "re-branding" work for One Beacon Street in Boston, facilities for Affymetrix, a new HQ for Geneprot, and design services for the British Consul General, Adage Capital Management, Finnegan Henderson, and PFPC...**Koetter, Kim & Associates'** recent and current work includes the 80 Landsdowne Street parking garage at MIT's University Park in collaboration with Walker Parking Consultants, an extension to Dartmouth's Thayer School of Engineering, and a multi-level parking structure and masterplan of the Dartmouth campus' West End...**Tappé Associates'** recent and current work includes a masterplan for the expansion and/or new construction for Striar Academy in Sharon, a study lounge adjacent to the Hayden Library, Building 14 at MIT, a new library at the Fessenden School in Newton, and the renovation/addition to the Worcester Public Library...**CannonDesign's** recent and current work includes facilities for The Sports Club at Boston's Millennium Place and in California, Nevada, Washington, D.C. and New York, a new fieldhouse for Ursinus College in Pennsylvania, and a new Wrestling Center at Cornell...**Leers Weinzapfel Associates** is designing the University Pavilion at the University of Cincinnati to house a variety of administrative offices.

Corporate Affiliates

A.J. Martini General Contractors, the prime underwriter of the BSA's 2000-2002 Civic Initiative for a Liveable New England, is completing work at Merket Lab for BC with Sheaffer Architects, luxury condo renovations at Trinity Place with Duckham + McDougal, and

renovations for Hill Holiday in the Hancock Tower with Darlow Christ Architects...**Adaptive Environments** launched its e-mentoring program in October with a unique panel discussion at the new offices of CBT; the discussion was moderated by Elaine Ostroff and the panel included Central Artery/Tunnel Project architect Peter Smith AIA, Kuhn Riddle Architects' George Balsley AIA, and DEM's Thomas McCarthy ASLA; for a transcript or more information on e-mentoring, visit www.adaptenv.org...**Charrette ProGraphics** is providing the electronic scanning, printing, and archiving of construction plans for the new University of Connecticut stadium in East Hartford, a project that began in October of last year and thus far has accounted for 1.5-million s.f. of paper prints for construction managers Hunt/Gilbane, a joint venture; Charette also recently announced the addition of two natural gas vehicles (NGV) to its fleet of trucks, one being used in the Boston/Providence area and the other in Philadelphia...**Walker Parking Consultants** has announced that Larry Hofmoeck P.E. has been named regional leader for the company's West Region and David Vander Wal P.E. has been named to the same role for the East Region...**Linbeck/Kennedy & Rossi** has announced that Tony Tanery has joined the firm as a senior project manager...**Hodess Building Co.** has completed work on StockerYale's new R&D/manufacturing facility in New Hampshire; the company recently has been honored for its construction expertise by Associated Builders and Contractors of New Hampshire/Vermont and the Massachusetts Chapter of ABC also recently honored Hodess for its work on the R.F. Micro Devices facility in North Carolina...**GEI** has been commissioned by the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management to perform real-time air-monitoring work on the Adrian's Landing development in Hartford...**Haley and Aldrich** chairman David Thompson is a recipient of the 2001 Civil Engineering Management Award conferred by the American Society of Civil Engineers to recognize significant contributions to effective leadership and management; Thompson was honored in October at ASCE's annual Convention in Houston...**Vanasse Hangen Brustlin** this year has raised over \$25,000 for the Jimmy Fund through its company golf tournament and has collected \$48,000 in September 11 contributions for the American Red Cross...**Suffolk Construction Co.'s** current projects include Hilton Torrey Pines in California designed by AVR, the U. Mass./Dartmouth new student Residence Halls I & II with CannonDesign, the U. Mass./Boston new campus center designed by Kallmann McKinnell & Wood, the St. Mary of the Nativity Church New Parish Center in Scituate with Donna Hughes Associates, and renovation of two floors

of nursing units in the Milton Hospital North Building with Rothman Partners...**The George B.H. Macomber Co.** has completed work on the New England Aquarium's I-MAX theater designed by E. Verner Johnson & Associates and the renovation of Pondview Apartments in Jamaica Plain with Mostue & Associates...**Lee Kennedy Co.** is currently working on the new library at Middlebury College with Gwathmey Siegel & Associates; the company has promoted Bill Parker to pre-construction manager and Brian Senk has joined the company as an assistant superintendent...**Accentech Inc.** is providing acoustics and audio-visual consulting services with Philip Johnson/Alan Ritchie Architects for the Cathedral of Hope in Dallas...**Carol R. Johnson Associates** is designing the new 260-acre campus for American University in Cairo; the firm also has named Kathy Lynch and Kevin Burke senior associates; Scott Clements, Ruth Wescott, Jill Och Zik, and Duke Bitso have been named associates; and Alison Amherst and Cathy Offenberg have been named senior landscape architects...**Columbia Construction Co.** has completed the addition to New Balance's distribution facility in Lawrence with Edwards and Kelcey, office renovations with Gensler for PA Consulting at One Memorial Drive in Cambridge, renovations with Dyer/Brown for Dakota's restaurant at 101 Arch Street in Boston, renovations for DuPont Pharmaceuticals in Billerica, and is serving as CM for The Hammonds luxury condo project in Newton designed by The Architectural Team for Woodland Developments; the company has also launched a new website at columbiacc.com...**Beacon Skanska** is serving as CM for the West End House Boys & Girls Club in Allston/Brighton with KVAAssociates and Leers Weinzapfel Associates...**Prior Engineering's** recent and current work includes electrical systems for the Cheers restaurant at Faneuil Hall with Ahearn Schopfer and Associates, renovation of the Great Hall of the Quincy Market building with Paul Boudreau Design, preservation efforts for the Boston Center for Jewish Heritage and a renovation/addition project for Temple Emunah in Lexington, both with Claude Emanuel Menders Architects, renovations to an auto showroom in Norwood, a design/build project with Maggiori Brothers, a new Boston Medical Center urology suite with Trapani + Associates, and an MRI at Mary Lane Hospital in Ware with Hartford Associates...**Copley Wolff Design Group** (formerly the Copley Wolff/Joint Venture) is working with Tsoi/Kobus & Associates and The Davis Companies on the design of Charles River Plaza on Cambridge Street in Boston, the East Boston Greenway, and with TAMS Consultants on an MBTA project in Salem that includes improvements to the commuter-rail station and a proposed commuter car garage and new Essex



Jim Becker, President/CEO of Beacon Skanska in Boston, has been named Senior VP for Strategic Planning and Development for Skanska USA Building Inc.



The Architectural Team has announced that Nicole Casello (above) has joined the firm as an assistant project manager



Tappé Associates has promoted Mark Stafford (above) to Director of Municipal Facilities

Simon Brogioli

Tom Gallagher

County Courthouse...**Ryan Construction** has moved into its new corporate offices at 505 South St., Walpole 02081...**Spaulding & Sly Colliers'** recent and current work includes interior construction of BEA Systems' HQ in Burlington, base-building renovations for Cytac Corp. in New Hampshire with Fulcrum Architects, interior renovation of FitCorp's Post Office Square facility in Boston with Sasaki Associates, base-building renovations for Twin City Plaza in Somerville with SGH, interior office construction for HADCO in Canton with Visnick & Caulfield, and a residential development on Pleasant Street in Cambridge with Boyes-Watson Architects...**Souza, True and Partners'** recent and current work includes four

new buildings at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in New Hampshire with Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott, a new dorm at Endicott College in Beverly with Marsters & Partners, and a new solarium addition at Women & Infants Hospital in Providence with Rothman Partners...**Erland Construction's** recent and current work includes a computer and classroom facility for The Carroll Center in Newton with Tappé Associates, a new office building and parking expansion at Sun Life in Wellesley with Spagnolo/Gisness, and the University of Massachusetts Advanced Technology Center in Fall River with SMMA and Spagnolo/Gisness...**Engineers Design Group's** recent and current work includes Northeast Elementary School in Waltham with

Flansburgh Associates, Midland High Schools with DRA, Maher Regional School in Orange with Dore & Whittier, Assumption College parking garages in Worcester with R.W. Granger & Sons, and an addition to Fuller Hall at Assumption College with Janovsky/Hurley.

BSA President Robert Brown IIDA, AIA and the BSA Board of Directors are privileged to welcome this new BSA Corporate Affiliate member:

The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company (construction manager/general contractor). For details on Corporate Affiliate membership, call/write 617-951-1433x228/pmitchell@architects.org.



HDS & Associates has completed design of this new 17-building mixed-use complex (above) in Berlin for DBM Holding GMBH in a joint venture with FERl; the project is known as Markgrafenpark



David Perry Architects is designing the Epiphany School (above)...rendering by Dongik Lee



Arrowstreet is designing the major expansion of the Hotel Esja (above) in Reykjavik for IcelandAir Hotels... rendering by Tom Wang

Schwartz/Silver Architects, in association with Eskew + and Jerry M. Campbell & Associates, is designing the new Baton Rouge Cultural Arts Center (above) in Louisiana



Richard White Sons has completed construction of the New Bedford Whaling Museum renovations (above) designed by Solomon + Bauer Architects...photo by Steve Rosenthal



Drummey Rosane Anderson has designed the new Fitchburg High School fieldhouse and the New Monson High School (above)...photo by Greg Premru



Goody, Clancy & Associates, in association with HLM Design, is the architect for the Annex (above) to the Federal Building and U.S. District Courthouse in Wheeling WV; the project is featured in NCSC's Retrospective of Courthouse Design, 1991-2000

Mount Vernon Group has been honored by AS&U for the design of the Spencer Borden Elementary School (above) in Fall River...photo by Ed Jacoby

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